



## HEARING PROGRAM

# Budget Estimates 2025–26

## Senate Education and Employment Legislation Committee

Friday, 28 March, Wednesday, 2 April and Thursday, 3 April

**Committee Room 2S3**, Parliament House, Canberra

*Dates for the 2025-26 Budget estimates hearings are pursuant to the resolution of the Senate of 25 March 2025.*



### Hearing location

Committee Room 2S3  
Parliament House, Canberra  
Waiting room: Waiting Room 1S4



### Committee members

Senator Tony Sheldon, Chair  
Senator Matt O'Sullivan, Deputy Chair  
Senator Mehreen Faruqi  
Senator Slade Brockman  
Senator Karen Grogan  
Senator the Hon Carol Brown



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### Ministers attending

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Friday, 28 March

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## Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio

<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Department of Employment and Workplace Relations</b> <b>Corporate and Enabling Services, Cross-portfolio and general matters</b>
<b>9.45am</b>	<b>Outcome 3 – Workplace Relations</b> 3.1: Workplace Support 3.2: Worker’s Compensation Payments
<b>11.00am</b>	Morning tea
<b>11.15am</b>	<b>Outcome 3 – Workplace Relations (continued)</b>
<b>12.00pm</b>	<b>Outcome 1 – Employment</b> 1.1: Employment Services
<b>12.15pm</b>	Lunch
<b>1.15pm</b>	<b>Fair Work Commission</b>
<b>2.45pm</b>	<b>Outcome 2: Skills and Training (including Jobs and Skills Australia)</b> 2.1: Building Skills and Capacity 2.2: VET Student Loans 2.3: DEWR – Nuclear-Powered Submarine Program
<b>3.30pm</b>	Afternoon tea and change of portfolio

## Education portfolio

<b>3.45pm</b>	<b>Department of Education</b> <b>Corporate and Enabling Services</b>
<b>4.15pm</b>	<b>Outcome 1: Schools</b> 1.3: Government Schools National Support 1.4: Non-Government Schools National Support 1.5: Early Learning and Schools Support
<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership Limited</b>
<b>5.30pm</b>	Dinner

<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Outcome 1: Early Childhood and Youth</b> 1.1: Support for the Childcare System 1.2: Child Care Subsidy
<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority</b>
<b>8.00pm</b>	Tea break
<b>8.15pm</b>	<b>Outcome 2: Higher Education, Research and International</b> 2.1 : Commonwealth Grant Scheme 2.2 : Higher Education Superannuation Scheme 2.3 : Higher Education Support 2.4 : Higher Education Loan Program 2.5 : Investment in Higher Education Research 2.6 : Research Capacity 2.7 : International Education Support 2.8: Nuclear Powered Submarine Program
<b>9.45pm</b>	<b>Australian National University</b>
<b>10.30pm</b>	<b>Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency</b>
<b>11.00pm</b>	Adjournment

Wednesday, 2 April

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## Employment and Workplace Relations

<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Department of Employment and Workplace Relations</b> <b>Corporate and Enabling Services, Cross-portfolio and general matters</b>
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Outcome 3 – Workplace Relations</b> 3.1: Workplace Support 3.2: Worker’s Compensation Payments
<b>11.00am</b>	Morning tea
<b>11.10am</b>	<b>Outcome 3 – Workplace Relations (continued)</b> 3.1: Workplace Support 3.2: Worker’s Compensation Payments
<b>12.40pm</b>	Lunch
<b>1.25pm</b>	<b>Outcome 3 – Workplace Relations (continued)</b> 3.1: Workplace Support 3.2: Worker’s Compensation Payments
<b>1.55pm</b>	<b>Outcome 1 – Employment</b> 1.1: Employment Services
<b>3.25pm</b>	Afternoon tea
<b>3.35pm</b>	<b>Outcome 1 – Employment (continued)</b> 1.1: Employment Services
<b>4.05pm</b>	<b>Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman</b>
<b>4.55pm</b>	<b>Fair Work Commission</b>
<b>5.35pm</b>	<b>Comcare</b>
<b>6.05pm</b>	<b>Coal Mining Industry (Long Service Leave Funding) Corporation</b>
<b>6.30pm</b>	Dinner break

<b>7.45pm</b>	<b>Outcome 2: Skills and Training (including Jobs and Skills Australia)</b> 2.1: Building Skills and Capacity 2.2: VET Student Loans 2.3: DEWR – Nuclear-Powered Submarine Program
<b>8.15pm</b>	Tea break
<b>8.25pm</b>	<b>Outcome 2: Skills and Training (including Jobs and Skills Australia) (continued)</b>
<b>9.00pm</b>	<b>Australian Skills Quality Authority</b>
<b>9.30pm</b>	<b>National Centre for Vocational Education Research</b>
<b>10.00pm</b>	Adjournment

Thursday, 3 April

Education portfolio

<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Department of Education Corporate and Enabling Services</b>
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Outcome 1: Schools</b> 1.3: Government Schools National Support 1.4: Non-Government Schools National Support 1.5: Early Learning and Schools Support
<b>10.30am</b>	Morning tea
<b>10.40am</b>	<b>Outcome 1: Schools (continued)</b>
<b>12.35pm</b>	Lunch
<b>1.20pm</b>	<b>Australian Education Research Organisation</b>
<b>1.50pm</b>	<b>Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership Limited</b>
<b>2.20pm</b>	<b>Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority</b>
<b>2.50pm</b>	<b>Outcome 1: Early Childhood and Youth</b> 1.1: Support for the Childcare System 1.2: Child Care Subsidy
<b>3.25pm</b>	Afternoon tea
<b>3.35pm</b>	<b>Outcome 1: Early Childhood and Youth (continued)</b>
<b>5.00pm</b>	<b>Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority</b>
<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Outcome 2: Higher Education, Research and International</b> 2.1 : Commonwealth Grant Scheme 2.2 : Higher Education Superannuation Scheme 2.3 : Higher Education Support 2.4 : Higher Education Loan Program 2.5 : Investment in Higher Education Research

	2.6 : Research Capacity 2.7 : International Education Support 2.8: Nuclear Powered Submarine Program
<b>6.30pm</b>	Dinner break
<b>7.15pm</b>	<b>Outcome 2: Higher Education, Research and International (continued)</b>
<b>8.45pm</b>	Tea break
<b>8.55pm</b>	<b>Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency</b>
<b>9.25pm</b>	<b>Australian Research Council</b>
<b>10.00pm</b>	Adjournment